



AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE  
ART UNIT 1651

PATENT  
Attorney Docket No.: HIRA1140

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Mukouyama et al. Art Unit: 1651  
Application No.: 09/408,142 Examiner: Marx, I.  
Filed: September 29, 1999  
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1. Amendment in Response to Final Office Action mailed August 19, 2002, including Version with Markings to Show Changes Made, Claims as They Will Stand Upon Entry of the Amendment and Exhibit "A" (22 total pages);
2. Petition for Extension of Time (2 pages);
3. Check No. 525949 in the amount of \$110.00; and
4. Return Receipt Postcard.

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I hereby certify that the documents referred to as enclosed herein are being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail on December 19, 2002, in an envelope addressed to: Box AF, Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231

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Check No. 525949 in the amount of \$110.00 is enclosed as fee for the One Month Extension of Time fee. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any other fees associated with the filing submitted herewith, or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 50-1355. A copy of this Transmittal Sheet is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

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